



Fish Health Section



The official link to the FHS website is: <http://www.afs-fhs.org/>

FHS NEWS

New AFS Member Discount Available (Ends March 12th)

The parent AFS is running a special for new members, which includes a 50% discount offered from January 12th to March 12th. This is a great opportunity for recruiting new members to AFS and well as to the FHS. Please forward this information to colleagues, students, young professionals, or anyone else who may be interested in joining the AFS and the FHS.

AFS.
The Society That Made Fish Famous!
Reach Out and AFS Someone.
Help Engage New Members
Share This Special

- \$200 off registration at the annual meeting
- Discounted price on all AFS journals
- 30% discount on dozens of AFS books
- 12 free issues of Fisheries magazine
- Member-only access to website features, including our searchable member directory
- Special rates for professional certification
- and more!

AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY AFS
Welcome to AFS
50% OFF

This offer is good from
Jan. 12- Mar. 12, 2015
Contact: ajury@goldfishnews.org

50% off the regular dues price
FOR NEW MEMBERS ONLY!

Students and Early Career Members

There's a new mentor profile posted on the blog. This month, we're talking to Brandon Taro, the Fish Health Program Coordinator for the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. Brandon is also one of the organizers of the 2015 Western Fish Disease Workshop. Learn more about Brandon and his experiences here – <http://afs-fhs-students.blogspot.com/2015/03/mentor-profile-with-brandon-taro.html>

We encourage everyone to check out our LinkedIn page (http://www.linkedin.com/groups?home=&gid=8129129&trk=groups_guest_about-h-logo). The goal of the page is to help fish health students and budding professionals find each other and get connected. We are hoping that this will allow students to gain mentorship from young professionals and provide a platform to post jobs, interesting questions and general ideas surrounding fish health. Hope to see you on there!

Finally, we're always looking for people at any stage of their career to profile on the blog. Previous profiles can be found here - <http://afs-fhs-students.blogspot.com/search/label/profiles>. If you're interested in participating or have any questions/suggestions for us, please contact us at <mailto:student.section.fhs@gmail.com>.

Meetings, Workshops, and Courses

Annual AFS-Fish Health Section Annual Meeting (First Announcement)

Ithaca, New York

July 13-15, 2015

The first announcement for the AFS-Fish Health Section Annual Meeting is attached (AFS-FHS_2015_1st ANNC.pdf and FHS MTG ANNC for web site.pdf). Make it a point to join us in Ithaca, NY this summer from July 13 to 15th! We aim to educate, entertain, and please. Check out our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/afs.fhs.2015.meeting

Registration is now open! To see the complete announcement go to:

<http://tinyurl.com/ovozhv5>

The Announcement Packet includes:

- Registration Form
- Lodging Information
- Abstract Submission Instructions
- Tentative Agenda

EAFP Pre-conference workshop on diagnostic test validation

Held in conjunction with the EAFP meeting, Canary Islands, Spain

September 6th

If you need guidance on the best strategies for use of experimental and/or field studies to obtain estimates of diagnostic sensitivity and specificity, and tips for analyzing these data this workshop is for you. There will be 3 hours of lecture/discussion and the remaining 4 hours will be problem-based with use of Medcalc software to analyze data assuming a perfect reference standard. If there is sufficient interest, one hour may be allocated to use of latent class analysis when the reference standard is imperfect. Examples will be based on OIE-listed diseases of finfish, mollusks and crustaceans and participants are encouraged to bring their own data or provide relevant examples for discussion.

The workshop is limited to a maximum of 25 participants

The fee for the workshop will depend on room charges and costs for lunch, and has not been determined at the time of this posting. Students and post-doctoral fellows will be eligible for reduced fees.

For further updates on this workshop after January 1, 2015, please e-mail the lead instructor:

Ian Gardner, Canada Excellence Research Chair (Aquatic Epidemiology)

Atlantic Veterinary College, Prince Edward Island

E-mail: iagardner@upei.ca

2015 Salmon Disease Workshop
Corvallis, Oregon
July, 20-31, 2015

Registration now open!

<https://conferences.bus.oregonstate.edu/Conference/salmon-disease/registration>

This workshop, designed for professionals working in the fish health field, will emphasize recent advances and developments in our understanding of salmonid diseases. We have a number of great lectures and hands on labs scheduled and the workshop is limited to 20 participants on a first come, first served basis. For more information on the course go to:

http://micro6.science.oregonstate.edu/barthol_lab_SDW

For more information, if you wish to register for graduate credit, please contact Dr. Jerri Bartholomew at 541-737-1856 or e-mail at:

bartholj@science.oregonstate.edu

56th Annual Western Fish Disease Workshop
Sheraton Steamboat Resort, Steamboat Springs Colorado
June 2-4, 2015

Please join us this year at the Sheraton Steamboat resort in beautiful Steamboat Springs, Colorado for the 2015 Western Fish Disease Workshop (WFDW) on June 2-4, 2015. The WFDW is an annual conference designed to address fish health issues affecting aquaculture and wild fish populations in the western United States, Canada, and the Pacific Ocean. Researchers, fish health professionals, veterinarians, and students come together to present current topics of interest in all fields of fish health.

Presentations cover identification, diagnostics, treatment, and management of a variety of bacterial, viral, and parasitic pathogens, and poster sessions allow students and vendors to present their current research and products in an informal setting, and an evening banquet allows individuals to network and communicate while enjoying a good meal and entertainment. The WFDW also offers RACE Continuing Education credit for fish health professionals and veterinarians.

Online registration is available at <http://tinyurl.com/mnszt2c>, and hotel reservations can be made through <http://tinyurl.com/k9jz2fj>.

See the attached PDF flyer entitled, "Western 2015 Registration" for more details on this conference, registration, the CE program, and how to submit a presentation, or contact Brandon Taro (brandon.taro@wyo.gov, +1 307-766-5620 work, +1 307-399-9806 cell), or Vicki Milano (vicki.milano@state.co.us, +1 970-370-3015 work).

Health and Colony Management of Laboratory Fish
Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory, Salisbury Cove, Maine
August 16-21, 2015

Applications are being accepted for this 1-week educational opportunity for individuals with maintenance, management or research responsibilities in which fish are used as laboratory animals.

APPLICATION DEADLINE - JUNE 12, 2015.

The course is offered at the Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory, Salisbury Cove, Maine during the period of 16 - 21 August 2015. Topics to be discussed will include general system design and water quality management, anatomy and histology of fish, general fish diseases and disease management strategies. Infectious and non-infectious diseases common to all fish as well as specific diseases of importance to laboratory-maintained zebrafish will be discussed. The course will consist of lecture, laboratory exercises and discussions. During the course there will be an opportunity for students to discuss unusual and/or unsolved diagnostic case experiences from their home laboratories as problem-solving exercises. The course should be particularly valuable to technical staff, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, junior faculty and investigators needing skills to monitor the health of a colony of aquatic organisms. The course also provides a unique educational opportunity for Residents in Laboratory Animal Medicine Programs.

For more information on the course, please see the course web site at:

<http://mdibl.org/course/hcmlf-2015/>

4th International Conference on Members of the Genus *Flavobacterium*
Auburn, Alabama
October 27-29, 2015

The 4th International Conference on members of the genus *Flavobacterium* will begin on Tuesday October 27th, 2015 and end Thursday October 29th. The meeting will take place in the city of [Auburn](#), a small but thriving community in the state of Alabama and home to [Auburn University](#). Please visit the website for more information www.flavobacterium.com.

This conference is a continuation of previous *Flavobacterium* meetings held at Shepherdstown, WV, USA (2007), Paris, France (2009), and Turku, Finland (2012). The main focus of this conference will be on fish pathogens but there will be specific sessions dedicated to the biology, diversity, physiology, and genetics of non-pathogenic members of the genus as well as to fish pathogens of related genera such as *Tenacibaculum* and *Chryseobacterium*.

We look forward to an interesting conference with exciting presentations and exchange of ideas. We hope to see you soon in Auburn!

9th International Symposium on Fish Parasites
University of Valencia, Spain
August 31st-September 4th, 2015

Please see the attached second announcement for the ISFP meeting (2nd_Announcement_9ISFP).

JOBS

Microbiologist/Physiologist/Veterinary Medical Officer (Research Leader)
USDA-ARS, Aquatic Animal Health Research Unit
Auburn, AL

USDA-ARS Aquatic Animal Health Research Unit is seeking a Research Leader, please see link for more information: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/392827400>

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